

Proclamation Presented to Jack Law

WHEREAS, Jack Law was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; spent his early childhood years in Detroit, Michigan; moved to Hawai'i in 1966 to seek refuge from the harsh Michigan winters; and

WHEREAS, Jack Law became friends with Eaton "Bob" Magoon, Jr., a local boy whose family owned the Magoon Estate; through Bob Magoon, Jack Law was introduced to the Hawaiian culture, songwriting and producing; and

WHEREAS, Jack Law ventured into the real estate business after experiencing the entertainment industry in Hawai'i; when a portion of property belonging to the Magoon Estate became available on the corner of Kuhio Avenue and Kalaimoku Street, Bob Magoon and Jack Law decided to turn the establishment into a bar; and

WHEREAS, Jack Law and Bob Magoon turned the vacant property into Hula's Bar and Lei Stand, a legendary establishment, which became the spot for the biggest parties and events in Waikiki; famous celebrities including Elton John, Dolly Parton and Barry Manilow were some of Hula's Bar and Lei Stand's notable patrons; since its opening in 1974, Hula's Bar and Lei Stand has been recognized worldwide as a fixture of the Waikiki scene and as a gathering place for Hawai'i's Gay Community; and

WHEREAS, Jack Law set his eyes on a vacant building in 1979, which would soon become, The Wave Waikiki; Jack Law found himself in a dilemma with two competing businesses; as a result, The Wave Waikiki became an entity in itself and became the ideal venue for live rock and roll and punk music in Waikiki; and

WHEREAS, Jack Law's accomplishments include being known as the most influential advocate for gay culture in Honolulu; appointed by Governor John Waihe'e and Governor Benjamin Cayetano to serve on the State of Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission; founding board member of the Life Foundation; founded the Honolulu Gay and Lesbian Cultural Foundation and the Honolulu Rainbow Film Festival; and

WHEREAS, Jack Law and friends will be celebrating the 37th Anniversary of Hula's Bar and Lei Stand on July 14, 2011;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim July 14, 2011, as

"JACK LAW DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Jack Law and his contributions to the culture and arts in Hawai'i.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eleventh day of July, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i